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Quarterly Market Report

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TIMBER CUTTINGS, JULY-SEPTEMBER, 1977 WITH COMPARISONS

Sawtimber cut in Louisiana during the first eight months of this year totaled 865,011,600 board feet. This volume represents an increase of 8.6 percent compared with the same period a year ago and is 20.0 percent above the 1971-75 average.

Pulpwood harvested through August of this year amounted to 2,127,605 cords. Cuttings are running 4.3 percent below a year ago and are down 3.6 percent compared with the previous 5-year average.

Additional timber harvested so far this year includes 5,683,075 board feet of sawtimber and 6,630 cords of pulpwood under reforestation contracts.

MARKET SUMMARY, THIRD QUARTER, 1977

Stumpage prices paid for pine sawtimber averaged \$120.75 per thousand board feet. This average represents an increase of 2.4 percent over the previous quarter and is 16.8 percent higher than the state average of a year ago. Hardwood stumpage was generally lower except for ash which averaged 6.4 percent higher.

Pole prices continued mostly unchanged from the average of the previous quarter.

Pulpwood stumpage was unchanged. Pine averaged \$7.15 per cord and hardwood \$3.00.

Wood Chips averaged \$11.85 per ton for pine and \$9.75 for hardwood F.O.B. sawmill.

During the July-September quarter, the following U.S.D.A. Forest Service Sales for Kisatchie National Forest were reported. 1/

Specie	SAWLOGS		PULPWOOD	
	MBF <u>2/</u>	Ave. Price Dollars/MBF	Cords	Ave. Price Dollars/Cord
Syp	19,207	130.23	20,476	12.27
Mx. Hdwd.	328	43.86	2,057	2.34

1/ Does not include salvage and optional sales.

2/ Scribner-Decimal "C" Rule.

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REGARDING THE COVER (Picture)

SOURCE: Courtesy: National Railway Historical Society, Hammond, La.

WHERE (Area of state picture taken): Northwest Louisiana

WHEN: (Time --year): Approximately 1925

AVERAGE PRICES PAID TO LOUISIANA TIMBER PRODUCERS BY TYPES OF INDUSTRIES, JULY-SEPTEMBER, 1977
WITH COMPARISONS

Forest Service Sales are excluded from the following reported prices

							STATE AVERAGE		
							July-Sept. 1977	Previous Quarter	Same Period Year Ago
1. (A) <u>Sawtimber (Stumpage)</u>		Area 1 (Dollars)	Area 2 (Dollars)	Area 3 (Dollars)	Area 4 (Dollars)	Area 5 (Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)
Pine	M.Bd.Ft.	123.35	125.35	114.20	127.50	124.55	120.75	117.95	103.40
Cypress	"	40.00	58.35	1/	39.85	44.00	43.20	44.70	40.85
Oaks	"	37.20	43.75	36.90	40.85	40.70	39.10	41.40	38.10
Gums	"	38.10	37.00	37.80	39.15	38.35	38.00	38.80	37.25
Willow	"	39.00	38.35	35.00	39.15	37.00	37.75	38.40	37.05
Ash	"	42.50	75.00	45.00	49.15	55.00	51.55	48.45	46.20
Cottonwood	"	41.00	43.35	1/	39.15	42.00	41.25	43.30	39.75
Mixed Hardwoods"		40.00	41.25	37.50	40.85	39.15	39.30	39.50	36.80
(B) <u>Sawtimber (Delivered)</u>									
Pine	M.Bd.Ft.	164.60	164.60	161.55	162.50	166.65	163.45	159.40	140.75
Cypress	"	86.65	107.50	1/	99.65	107.00	100.25	102.15	90.10
Oaks	"	83.55	94.00	84.15	98.35	99.00	89.80	93.50	87.90
Gums	"	85.60	89.15	81.25	96.65	96.25	87.75	90.85	88.50
Willow	"	88.00	91.25	1/	98.35	95.00	91.55	92.20	85.40
Ash	"	90.00	118.75	93.35	108.35	112.50	103.50	96.25	93.20
Cottonwood	"	90.00	96.25	1/	98.35	97.50	94.10	93.75	88.65
Mixed Hardwoods"		85.55	92.00	88.90	98.75	97.50	90.80	90.60	87.30
2. <u>Poles, Barky (FOB Plant or Concentrated Point) - Each -</u>									
30-Ft. Class 5		9.80	1/	9.75	1/	1/	9.75	8.95	9.25
" Class 6		8.00	1/	8.25	1/	1/	8.15	7.25	7.90
" Class 7		5.90	1/	6.40	1/	1/	6.10	5.45	6.35
35-Ft. Class 4		14.80	1/	15.65	1/	1/	15.30	14.75	15.45
" Class 5		13.30	1/	13.35	1/	1/	13.45	12.90	13.45
" Class 6		10.30	1/	10.75	1/	1/	10.65	10.20	10.80
" Class 7		7.80	1/	8.85	1/	1/	8.25	7.75	8.45
40-Ft. Class 2		29.35	1/	28.80	1/	1/	28.40	28.65	26.80
" Class 3		24.40	1/	23.80	1/	1/	23.85	24.25	22.70
" Class 4		19.65	1/	19.65	1/	1/	19.90	19.55	19.45
" Class 5		17.35	1/	17.20	1/	1/	17.30	17.10	17.20
" Class 6		13.45	1/	13.55	1/	1/	13.50	13.60	13.75
45-Ft. Class 2		36.40	1/	35.00	1/	1/	34.90	34.05	32.80
" Class 3		29.40	1/	29.65	1/	1/	29.05	28.60	27.50
" Class 4		25.10	1/	25.00	1/	1/	24.90	24.30	23.30
" Class 5		22.65	1/	21.15	1/	1/	22.50	21.60	20.45
50-Ft. Class 2		42.40	1/	42.10	1/	1/	41.60	41.35	38.35
" Class 3		35.25	1/	34.70	1/	1/	34.70	34.25	32.60
" Class 4		30.10	1/	30.60	1/	1/	30.05	29.70	28.10
55-Ft. Class 2		50.05	1/	49.75	1/	1/	49.45	49.30	46.90
" Class 3		41.45	1/	42.05	1/	1/	41.80	41.50	40.50
" Class 4		38.00	1/	36.85	1/	1/	37.45	37.15	35.85
60-Ft. Class 2		57.15	1/	56.65	1/	1/	57.00	57.80	54.55
" Class 3		48.20	1/	49.20	1/	1/	49.50	49.65	47.70
65-Ft. Class 2		66.45	1/	65.85	1/	1/	66.15	66.20	62.60
" Class 3		57.80	1/	57.10	1/	1/	58.50	58.10	55.65
70-Ft. Class 2		75.30	1/	74.90	1/	1/	75.10	75.95	70.95
" Class 3		66.90	1/	64.90	1/	1/	65.90	67.65	64.40
75-Ft. Class 2		87.50	1/	67.85	1/	1/	86.25	88.25	82.65
" Class 3		80.75	1/	77.15	1/	1/	78.35	80.75	72.40
80-Ft. Class 2		102.02	1/	96.50	1/	1/	99.65	101.20	94.65
" Class 3		88.95	1/	83.40	1/	1/	86.60	90.00	81.85

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3. <u>Pulpwood, Per Cord:</u>	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)
Pine, Stumpage	7.60	7.10	7.20	5.90	6.40	7.15	7.10	6.80
Pine, FOB Car	32.45	<u>1/</u>	31.30	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	31.90	31.25	30.20
Hardwood, Mixed Stumpage	2.90	3.10	2.90	3.30	3.30	3.00	2.85	2.80
Hardwood, Mixed FOB Car	28.25	<u>1/</u>	26.50	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	27.70	27.30	25.95

1/ Insufficient number of quotes to report on area basis but included in Statewide average.

Note: The Doyle log scale is basis for board feet measurement.

LOG RULE CONVERSION (CORRECTION) 1/

The table in the last report was in error
it should have read:

1.17 Doyle = Scribner	1.32 Doyle = International
.85 Scribner = Doyle	.89 International = Scribner
.76 International = Doyle	1.12 Scribner = International

Changes in eligibility for forestry funds

The ASCS recently announced changes in forestry Incentive Program.

The five year no harvest rule has been eliminated. Up to now, cost sharing for tree planting was prohibited on harvesting tracts. This rule made the program ineffective against the primary source of understocked acres and unavailable to many landowners who would otherwise be interested. This year harvested tracts are eligible.

One other important change is that waivers for owners of more than 500 acres should be easier and faster. You will recall this is the program where forest landowners can receive up to 75 percent of the costs for forestry practices such as tree planting, TSI and site preparation. If you are interested, contact the ASCS or Louisiana Forestry Commission office in the parishes where your property is located.

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